

Veterinary Services

Mark Your Calendar! Eighth Annual Emergency Preparedness Satellite Seminar

Thursday, September 18, 2003

10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Learn about emergency management issues in animal agriculture.

Where

Many Federal and State government facilities will have downlink capabilities such as the State Extension Service, Veterans Administration hospitals, and the Farm Bureau. In addition, most community colleges and universities will allow use of their facilities for a nominal fee or for free. A list of registered downlink sites will be updated and posted on the following Web site:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/training/ss_2003/ss_sept_2003.html.

Agenda

Topics to be covered include:

- Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) in Canada—Canadian health officials will discuss the impact on their country of the finding of BSE and lessons learned from the experience.
- Highly pathogenic Avian Influenza—A health official from the European Union will discuss the outbreak in the Netherlands, Belgium, and Germany.
- Exotic Newcastle Disease (END) in California—Members of the END task force will give an overview of task force activities that took place during the past year as well as the current status of the situation.
- Infectious Salmon Anemia—Learn about the outbreak and cleanup in Maine in 2001 and the most recent outbreak. There will be time for questions from the audience and an hour break for lunch.

August 11, 2003

Continuing Education Credit (CEU)

This seminar has been submitted to the American Association of Veterinary State Boards to allow 3 hours of CEU credits for seminar attendance. Please see the following Web site:
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/training/ss_2003/ss_sept_2003.html for additional details.

Cost

There will be no charge for participant materials or CEU certificates. The costs of participating in the satellite broadcast are based on your site registration, possible charges for operating your satellite equipment, and the time it will take you to participate.

Available on Tape

The broadcast will be taped, and a copy may be requested by completing the video request form online at

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/training/ss_2003/ss_sept_2003.html.

Seminar Materials

Both the agenda and the materials will be available to download at the following site:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/training/ss_2003/ss_sept_2003.html. If you are unable to download electronically, one copy can be sent to you for local reproduction. Please fax your request to the Professional Development Staff at (301) 734-4964.

For additional information call (301) 734-5750 or see the Professional Development Web site at:
<http://www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/training>.

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